

For the LORD thy GOD
bringeth thee into a good land
a land of brooks of water,
of fountains and depths that
spring out of valleys and hills;
A land of wheat, and barley,
and vines, and fig trees,
and pomegranates;
a land of oil olive, and honey;
A land wherein thou shalt eat bread
without scarceness thou shalt not
lack anything in it; a land
whose stones are iron, and out
of whose hills thou mayest
dig brass.

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MILLIS MASS

24TH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF

MILLIS, MASS.

For the FISCAL YEAR
ENDING
JANUARY
31
1909

MEMORIAL R.R. STATION
AND TOWN OFFICE





THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF MILLIS

FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1909.



MILLIS, MASS.:

G. W. WOOLVETT, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER.

1909.

TOWN OFFICERS 1908-1909.

TOWN CLERK.

LOUIS LACROIX.

TOWN TREASURER.

EVAN F. RICHARDSON.

SELECTMEN.

GEORGE F. HOLBROOK, ELMER L. RICHARDSON.
ROLAND W. MANN.

ASSESSORS.

C. F. BRACKETT, 1911, L. LACROIX, 1910,
S. A. CLARK, 1909.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

L. A. MANN, F. SWARMAN, H. H. THORNE.

COLLECTOR.

J. C. THORNE.

AUDITOR.

FRED B. ROACH.

TREE WARDEN.

L. LACROIX.

MODERATOR.

G. P. HOLBROOK.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

O. T. DEAN, 1911, J. W. CROWTHER, 1910,
B. G. WILLARD, 1909.

CONSTABLES.

W. H. THORNE,

T. J. McCARTY.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

E. E. ADAMS, 1911, H. H. THORNE, 1910,
L. LACROIX, 1909.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

J. S. ADAMS, 1911, C. LACROIX, 1910,
G. G. HOFF, 1909.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

S. H. FRINK, 1911,

L. LACROIX, 1910,

G. G. HOFF, 1909.

FENCE VIEWERS.

W. P. CLARK, A. R. DANIELS, F. H. DANIELS.

FIELD DRIVERS.

W. H. THORNE,

T. J. McCARTY.

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen.

FIRE ENGINEERS AND FOREST FIREWARDS.

CHAS. LACROIX,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

J. W. CRIBBIE.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

R. W. MANN.

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE.

L. A. COOK.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

H. H. THORNE,

E. J. KEITH,

E. N. CLARK,

J. H. INGRAHAM.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER.

G. C. THRASHER,

L. CLARK,

H. H. THORNE.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

F. SWARMAN, 1911,

E. F. RICHARDSON, 1910,

L. A. MANN, 1909.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

L. A. MANN.

UNDERTAKER.

E. F. RICHARDSON.

SPECIAL POLICE.

W. H. THORNE,

T. J. McCARTY,

G. G. HOFF.

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE.

J. W. CLARK,

W. W. WHITING,

M. J. WEST.

THE RECORDS
OF THE
TWENTY-FOURTH MUNICIPAL YEAR
ENDING JANUARY 31, 1909.

FIRST MEETING MARCH 2, 1908.

Article 1. To choose a moderator, clerk, treasurer, tax collector, three selectmen, three overseers of the poor, two constables, one auditor, one tree warden, all for one year; one assessor for three years, one assessor for two years, one assessor for one year; one school committee for three years, one school committee for two years; one trustee of the public library for three years; one water commissioner for three years; one park commissioner for three years, one park commissioner for two years. Also to vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" All of the above to be on one ballot. Also to choose all other town officers. The polls will be opened at 6.30 A.M. o'clock, and may be closed at 1.30 in the afternoon.

Geo. P. Holbrook, moderator, declared polls open at 6.30 A.M.

Albert J. Babcock, Daniel J. Murphy, Edmund F. Lovell sworn as ballot clerk and tellers.

Polls closed at 1.40 P.M.

182 ballots found in ballot box and 182 names checked on each lists as having voted.

The ballots were counted and the votes declared as follows:

For moderator, one year:		Blanks,	12
George P. Holbrook,	157	For tax collector:	
Blanks,	25	J. Clarence Thorne,	153
For town clerk, one year:		Blanks,	29
Louis LaCroix,	152	For school committee,	
Blanks,	30	three years:	
For three selectmen, one		Osgood T. Dean,	132
year:		H. H. Thorne,	1
George F. Holbrook,	151	J. H. Shannon,	1
John H. Ingraham,	94	Blanks,	48
Roland W. Mann,	146	For school committee, two	
Elmer L. Richardson,	106	years:	
Blanks,	49	John W. Crowther,	145
For three overseers of the		Blanks,	37
poor, one year:		For trustees of public	
Lowell A. Mann,	140	library, three years:	
Frederick Swarman,	152	Edward E. Adams,	122
Herbert H. Thorne,	149	Blanks,	60
Blanks,	105	For two constables:	
For treasurer, one year:		Timothy J. McCarty,	162
Evan F. Richardson,	139	William H. Thorne,	148
Blanks,	43	Blanks,	15
For one assessor, three		For water commissioner,	
years:		three years:	
Moses C. Adams,	67	Joseph S. Adams,	142
Charles G. Brackett,	104	Blanks,	40
Blanks,	11	For park commissioner,	
For one assessor, two		three years:	
years:		Samuel H. Frink,	113
Louis LaCroix,	149	E. F. Richardson,	1
Blanks,	33	Blanks,	68
For one assessor, one		For park commissioner,	
year:		two years:	
Stanley A. Clark,	128	Louis LaCroix,	139
George E. Staniford,	41	Blanks,	43
W. W. Whiting,	1		

For tree warden, one year:		Shall licenses be granted	
Louis LaCroix,	143	for the sale of intoxica-	
Blanks,	39	ting liquors in this town?	
For auditor, one year:		Yes,	55
Fred B. Roach,	147	No,	107
Blanks,	35		

Art. 2. To hear and act on the reports of the town officers and committees.

Town clerk's report accepted and adopted.

Selectmen's report accepted as printed.

Treasurer's report accepted as printed.

Overseers of poor report referred to the auditor, and if found correct it shall be adopted.

Park commissioners' report accepted.

Trustees public library report accepted.

Collector's report adopted.

Memorial day committee report accepted.

Assessors' report accepted and adopted.

Tree warden's report accepted and adopted.

Cemetery commissioners' report referred to auditor, and if found correct, adopted.

Water commissioners' report. Voted that we have a supplementary report of the trust funds to date of the annual report. Report to be made up and approved by the auditor, and a copy filed with the treasurer and town clerk.

Report of inspector of animals accepted and adopted.

Gypsy moth superintendent's report accepted and adopted.

Report of school committee accepted.

Fire engineers' report accepted.

Art. 3. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the tax of 1908.

Voted. Unanimous. That the town do authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to hire money

in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1908.

Art. 4. To see what disposition the town will make of the money refunded by the county on account of dog licenses.

Voted that the money refunded by the county on account of dog licenses be appropriated to the trustees of the public library for use of the library.

Art. 5. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for memorial day.

Voted to appropriate \$75 for Memorial day expenses, and that the same be in charge of the selectmen, they to decide method of expenditure.

Art. 6. To appropriate money for all necessary town expenses for the ensuing year.

Voted to appropriate

Roads, bridges and sidewalks, repairs,	\$1,500 00
Incidental expenses,	1,200 00

Voted that \$100 be added to the sum already appropriated for incidentals, and that it be used by the selectmen for the suppression of the illegal sale of liquor, and the enforcement of law and order,

	100 00
Poor department,	1,400 00
Fire department, Rockville to be limited to 15 men,	600 00
Interest expense,	1,500 00
Debt, state note due 1908,	750 00
Water sinking fund,	650 00
Snow bill expense,	200 00
Tree Warden, to have charge of trees and brush,	100 00
School department, not including transportation,	4,100 00
School additional, and the transportation to be left in the hands of the school committee,	1,000 00
Cemetery, to be used by the commissioners,	25 00

Art. 7. To see if the town will accept so much of the provisions of section 339 of chapter 11 of the revised laws of

Massachusetts as relates to the election of boards of selectmen for terms of three years.

Voted, That the town do adopt so much of the provisions of section 339 of chapter 11 of the revised laws of Massachusetts, as relates to the election of selectmen for the terms of three years.

Art. 8. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of three hundred and one dollars and forty-five cents as required by the state to suppress the gypsy moth.

Voted to appropriate \$301.45 for suppression of the gypsy moth.

Art. 9. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for concrete sidewalks, or act in any matter relating thereto.

Voted to appropriate \$200 to extend the concrete sidewalk on Exchange street.

Art. 10. To hear and act on the report of the street lighting committee, and to see if the town will appropriate money for street lights, or make a contract, or act in any matter relating thereto.

Recommendations of lighting committee:

That the town make a contract for fifty lights for a term of one year with the Edison Electric Illuminating Company.

That eleven of these lights be place in Rockville and the remainder in Millis centre.

That the matter of placing lights be left with selectmen.

Voted to appropriate \$175 in addition to the sum now available in town treasury.

Art. 11. To see if the town will accept so much of the provision of section 339 of chapter 11 of the revised laws of Massachusetts, as relates to the election of overseers of the poor for terms of three years.

Voted to accept so much of the provisions of section 339 of chapter 11 of revised laws of Massachusetts, as relates to the election of overseers of the poor for terms of three years.

Art. 12. To see if the town will raise the sidewalk from Exchange street to Plain street, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted to appropriate \$100 to raise the sidewalk on north side of Main street, between Exchange and Plain streets.

Art. 13. To see if the town will appropriate \$250, \$100 of this to be used in the payment of a bill of Edward La-Croix, for heating and ventilating, and the balance \$150, to be used for painting and repairs of Ellice schoolhouse.

Voted to appropriate \$250 to pay bills as called for in article 13.

Art. 14. To build a sidewalk on Union street, extending from the corner of Union and Adams street to the corner of Union and Parnell street, or further along Union street to the corner of Union and Main street, or to act in any way relating thereto.

Voted to appropriate \$50 to extend the sidewalk on Union street, under direction of the selectmen.

Art. 15. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the capacity of the water plant, the feasibility of supplying either the town of Medway or Medfield with water, the probable expense, and to report at a later town meeting, to appropriate money for the same, or to act in any matter relating thereto.

Voted the moderator appoint a committee of three to investigate the capacity of the water plant, the feasibility of supplying water to Medfield or Medway, the probable expense.

Appointed J. S. Adams, E. F. Richardson, Edward LaCroix.

Art. 16. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to appoint a superintendent of streets, who will have full charge and the expending of the appropriation for the highways, or act in any matter relating thereto.

Voted to dismiss the article.

Art. 17. To grant money appropriated for the for articles.

Voted to grant \$14,276.45.

Informal: Voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, to consist of one member of the school committee, one member of the board of selectmen, and one other citizen, to investigate the advisability of providing better school-room accommodation for the Grange hall school.

The committee appointed under this motion to report their findings at a town meeting not later than the next annual town meeting.

Moderator appointed B. G. Willard, G. F. Holbrook and E. Cook.

Warrant committee for 1908:

Edmund F. Lovell,	Benj. W. Fuller,
Henry E. Hosmer,	Moses C. Adams,
Michael E. Murphy,	Clarence E. Simpson,
Edward J. Keith,	Chairman of Selectmen
J. H. Shannon,	" School Committee,
Irving C. Holder,	" Overseers of Poor,
John H. Ingraham,	" Water Com.

Town Treasurer.

LOUIS LACROIX,

Town Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING, JULY 29, 1908.

Article 1. To see if the town will accept Prospect street, as laid out by the selectmen, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Lavout of street under Art. 1, July 29, 1908.

We, the selectmen of the town of Millis, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying

the owners of land over which we were petitioned to make a relocation of a portion of Prospect street, near the residence of Hallam L. Movius, have made such relocation as follows, viz:

Beginning at a point in the westerly side line of said Prospect street, distant eight hundred and thirteen (813) feet southwesterly from the stone bound marking the boundary line between the towns of Holliston and Millis, which boundary stone is situated on the westerly side of said street, thence the line runs on a radius of 200, curving to the south, seventy-one and 20-100 (71.20) feet to a stone bound, thence in a straight line E 16 deg. 46 min. W. one hundred and ninety and 9-10 (190.09) feet to a stone bound, thence curving westerly on a radius of 50, the line runs twenty-one and 64-100 (21.64) feet to a stone bound, thence in a straight line S. 41 deg. 34 min. W. the line runs one hundred and thirty-four (134) feet to a stone bound, thence curving southerly on a radius of 80, the line runs eighty (80) feet to a stone bound in the present westerly side line of said street; the line just described forms the westerly side line of the new location. The easterly side line of the said location begins at a point in the present easterly side line opposite the point begun at in the description of the above westerly side line, and thirty (30) feet distant therefrom, thence the line runs in a curved southerly direction on a radius of sixty and 5-10 (60.5) feet to a stone bound, thence in a straight line, parallel to and distant thirty (30) feet from said westerly side line one hundred and ninety (190) feet to a stone bound, thence in a curved westerly direction on a radius of 80, thirty-four and 6-10 (34.6) feet to a stone bound, thence on a line parallel to said westerly side line one hundred and four (104) feet to a stone bound, thence curving southerly on a radius of 80, the line runs sixty-three and 4-10 (63.4) feet to a stone bound in the easterly side line of the present location of said street. The easterly side line of the relocation runs throughout its course parallel to and distant thirty (30) feet from the above

describe westerly side line. All of said relocation is further shown on a plan of the same drawn by E. Worthington, engineer, dated July 9, 1908, filed with the town clerk, which plan is also made a part of this relocation for the purpose of further showing the same.

We hereby award no damages to any person on account of said relocation.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of July, A.D. 1908.

Selectmen of the Town of Millis.

Voted unanimous. To accept the doings of the selectmen in relocating a portion of Prospect street near the residence of H. L. Movius.

Art. 2. To see if the town will discontinue that part of Prospect street near the residence of Hallum L. Movius, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Voted unanimous. That the town do discontinue so much of Prospect street near the residence of Hallum L. Movius, as is situated west of the westerly side line of the new location as laid out by the selectmen July 11, 1908, and accepted by the town July 29, 1908.

Art. 3. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars, to be expended on Main street. The state of Massachusetts to give an equal amount.

Voted unanimous. That five hundred dollars be appropriated to be expended on Main street, under chapter 279 of the acts of 1908.

Voted that the \$500 be spent between Millis and Medfield if possible.

Art. 4. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to borrow the sum of five hundred dollars, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Unanimous. That the town authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$500 for one year to carry out the provisions of Art. 3.

Adjourned.

LOUIS LACROIX,
Town Clerk.



NATIONAL AND STATE ELECTION

Nov. 3, 1908.

Result of vote:

Election of President and Vice President

Bryan and Kern, democratic,	44
Chaflin and Watkins, prohibition,	0
Debs and Hanford, socialist,	2
Gillhaus and Munro, socialist labor,	1
Husgen and Graves, independence league,	11
Taft and Sherman, republican,	139

Governor:

James F. Carey of Haverhill, socialist,	4
Eben S. Draper of Hopedale, republican,	114
Walter J. Hoar of Worcester, socialist labor,	2
William N. Osgood of Lowell, independence league,	19
James H. Vahey of Watertown, democratic,	6
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, prohibition,	1

Lieutenant-Governor:

Charles J. Barton of Melrose, democratic,	44
Joao Claudino of New Bedford, socialist labor,	1
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston, republican,	125
John Hall, Jr., of West Springfield, socialist,	4
Robert J. McCartney of Kingston, independence league,	17
Frank N. Rand of Haverhill, prohibition,	1

Secretary:

James F. Aylward of Cambridge, democratic,	25
Herbert B. Griffin of Boston, prohibition,	1
George Nelson of Boston, socialist labor,	1
William M. Olin of Boston, republican,	122
Squire E. Putney of Somerville, socialist,	3
John F. Williams of Waltham, independence league,	14

Treasurer:

Charles E. Butterworth of Somerville, independence league,	10
Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, republican,	124
Henry C. Hess of Boston, socialist labor,	1
Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, socialist,	2
Edward Kendall of Cambridge, prohibition,	1
Erwin H. Kennedy of Pittsfield, democratic,	37

Auditor:

Frank Bohmback of Boston, socialist labor,	2
John E. Dempsey of Fall River, independence league,	15
George G. Hall of Boston, socialist,	2
Wilbur D. Moon of Lynn, prohibition,	3
Henry E. Turner of Malden, republican,	119
Simcon Viger of Lawrence, democratic,	34

Attorney-General:

Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park, prohibition,	1
Elliot C. Harding of Tisbury, socialist labor,	3
Dana Malone of Greenfield, republican,	123
John McCarty of Abington, socialist,	5
Richard J. Talbot of Springfield, independence league,	14
John Alden Thayer of Worcester, democratic,	35

Congressman—Twelfth district:

Albert E. George of Walpole, independence league,	15
Jesse C. Ivy of Newton, democratic,	31
John W. Weeks of Newton, republican,	125

Councillor—Second district:

Albion F. Bemis of Brookline, republican,	126
Charles G. Kidder of Taunton, independence league,	27

Senator—Second Norfolk district:

James M. Lynch of Avon, democratic,	37
Bradley M. Rockwood of Franklin, republican.	133

Representative in General Court—Eleventh Norfolk district:

Frederick C. Clark of Medway, republican,	149
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County Commissioner—Norfolk:

Daniel J. McDonald, 2d of Quincy, socialist,	11
John F. Merrill of Quincy, republican,	127

Register of Probate and Insolvency—Norfolk county:

John D. Cobb of Dedham, republican,	139
Albert Hess of Randolph, socialist,	11

Result of vote for one Representative to the General
Court for Eleventh Norfolk Representative District:

	Frederick C. Clark.	Scattering.	Blanks.
Medfield.	203		92
Medway,	303	2	143
Dover,	78		25
Norfolk.	96		48
Wellesley,	519	1	245
Millis.	149		59
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	1348	3	612

LOUIS LACROIX,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1908.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS.
1908-		
Jan 8	Edmond Tiernan	James M. and Alice Downey.
Feb 20	Helen Hill Lowell	Frank W. and Florence W. Pond
Mar 1	Cushing	Wm. E. and Mildred E. Cox.
Mar 12	Lyman Kenneth Duhamel	Joseph and Mary Dunleavy.
Apr 18	Faith Young	Wm. A. and Alice M. Shea
May 3	Dorothy Elinor Clapp	Walter and Lizzie C. McLennan.
June 14	Alice Miriam Oliver	D. Benj. and Nina Cudworth.
June 22	William Theodore Reincke, Jr.	William F. and Baroness Nona von Kornig.
June 23	Katherine Hoar	William M. and Katherine E. Hughes.
June 23	Mary Hoar	
July 2	Eleanor Moran	James C. and Ellen J. Kavanagh.
July 5	Lucien Wesley Dean	Osgood T. and Mary E. Libby.
Aug 8	Jennie Adelaide Porter	Henry and Caroline L. (Chickey).
Aug 20	Herbert William Frink	Herbert and Isabelle A. (Draper).
Aug 28	Anton Drangelis	Anton and Philome (Dicarbone).
Aug. 29	Bertram Holbrook Holland	Fred H. Jr. and Sarah F. Holbrook.
Sept 18	Verna Maple Clossom	William H. and Mary E. M. (Tomlinson).
Sept 19	Thomas Edward Owens	Thomas H. and Carrie M. White.
Sept 22	Belle Butt	Louis and Rebecca Goldstein.
Sept 24	William Robert Douglass	James and Elizabeth (Roberts).
Oct 6	Katharina Johanna Braun	Anton and Katharina (Gross).
Oct. 10	Harvey Emory George	Louis G. and Fannie E. Harvey
Oct. 26	Arthur Carr Nelson	Gilbert and Bessie (Delaware)
Nov 20	Howard Wilco Chamberlain	Lewis W. and Florence Smith.
Nov 20	Ernest John Infollo	Michele and Gioconda Celli.
Dec 2	Lena Deleicator	Joseph and Elvera (Marchion).
Dec 14	Alice Cortesi	John and Annziata Riani.
Dec 29	John Joseph Ward	John H. Jr. and Carrie G. (Tupper).

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1908.

DATE	NAMES	RESIDENCE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
Mar 2	Louis G. George	Millis	Rev W. R. Buxton
	Lanny E. Harvey	Millis	Millis
Apr 7	Warren J. Heath, Jr.	Millis	Rev J. H. Riordan
	Elizabeth M. Jones	Medway	Medway
Apr	James C. Fletcher	Millis	Rev W. R. Buxton
	Elizabeth A. Beauchamps	Tow.bury	Millis
June 22	Edgar F. Smith	Millis	Rev I. F. Heffernan
	Mary Devitt	Frammingham	Frammingham
Aug 24	Merton F. Clancy	Millis	Rev Wm J. Dwyer
	Dennie A. Cannon	Millis	Medway
Sept 6	Herbert W. Snay	Medway	Rev. L. E. Taylor
	Rosie K. Adams	Millis	Millis
Oct 8	John Hove	Millis	Rev Wm. J. Dwyer
	Mary J. Phillips	Medway	Medway
Oct 8	Warner H. Holbrook	Millis	Rev A. H. Wheelock
	Louise E. Clark	Millis	Millis
Nov 8	John E. Miller	Medfield	Rev Wm J. Dwyer
	Annie L. McMahon	Millis	Medway
Dec	John Bert Simpson	Millis	Rev A. H. Wheelock
	Katherine Dowd	Millis	Marlboro

DEATHS RECORDED IN MILLIS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1908.

DATE	NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF BURIAL.
		A.	M.	D.	
Jan 11	Waldo Rogers Jones		10	27	Millis.
Jan 21	Anna McDonald		4	13	Mt. Benedict, Boston
Feb 22	Scotch P. Bullard	77	3	4	Medfield
Feb 29	Thomas I. Small	44	7	3	Millford
Mar 1	Cushing			1	Millis
Mar 1	Catherine C. Shannon	17	1	23	Foxboro.
Mar 10	Thomas Maloy	80			Medway.
April 29	Thomas G. Welch	80	3	12	Dover
April 27	Wesley W. Whiting	46		8	Dover
May 1	George R. Hill	49	5	5	Millis
May 12	Lorenzo A. Whiting	85	1	2	Forest Hills, Boston
May 16	Samuel B. Wilcox	71	6	2	Mount Hope, Boston
June 2	Martha C. Spencer	76	6	1	Malden.
June 8	Welcome Adams	86	1	3	Millis
June 14	Catherine A. Clancy	17	7		Mount Calvary, Boston
June 27	Katherine Hoar			4	Medway.
June 27	Lilla A. Davis	40	3	23	Lowell
June 30	Hannah S. Whiting	78	3	2	Dover
July 18	Lucy May Sawyer	77	1	24	Millis.
Aug 5	Evelyn May Owens	2	11	21	Millis.
Aug 10	Mary Trainer	5	13	16	Medway.
Oct 11	Morris Nathanson	18			Dedham
Oct 12	Angelina M. Nichols	64	2		Pittsfield
Oct 29	Peckie Wmiker	1	1		West Roxbury
Nov 24	Harold W. Chamberlain	1		4	Millis.
Nov 31	Charles W. Emerson	71			Millis.
Dec 22	Mary B. Huntley	78	19	4	Millis.

BURIALS RECORDED IN MILLIS.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH.
			V.	M.	D.	
June	5	Frederick W. Watson	96	7		Medford
Oct.	11	Catherine L. Carey	94	10	3	Medfield
Oct.	14	Mary E. Hidden	80			Belmont, N. H.
Oct.	24	Mary Adams	33			Brookline
Nov.	16	Douglass J. Knox		3	13	Worcester
Nov.	19	Bertha A. Snow	19	7		Frammingham

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Number resident persons assessed on property,	230
All others,	13
Number of non-resident persons assessed on property,	165
All others,	8
Number of persons assessed poll tax only,	177
Whole number of male polls assessed,	310
Value of assessed personal estate,	\$99,070 00
Value of real estate, land excluding buildings,	220,005 00
" buildings excluding land,	481,735 00
State tax,	1,210 00
County tax,	544 03
Town tax,	14,276 45
Overlayings,	55 14
Rate per thousand,	18 80
Number horses,	165
Number cows,	489
St. at cattle other than cows,	117
Number sheep,	13
Number swine,	25
Number dwelling houses,	265
Number acres land,	7171 1-8
Number fowls,	3911

LOUIS LACROIX,

STANLEY A. CLARK,

CHARLES G. BRACKETT.

Assessors of Millis.



We recommend an appropriation of \$1500.

Receipts

Appropriation,	\$14 000
Sons of T. G. Welch,	121 75
State on ac. Parish case,	80 60
Estate of Mary Clark,	13 00
O. J. Clark and Mrs. Ware	10 00
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	\$1,021 11

Expenditures

MRS. T. G. WELCH AND OTHERS

Paid town of Natick, aid,	\$308 85	
Cash,	113 00	
	<hr/>	\$421 85

T. G. WELCH.

Paid G. W. Morrill, board,	\$40 99	
J. Frink,	10 50	
Dr. E. L. Hill, medical attendance,	10 00	
B. W. Fuller, supplies,	3 15	
H. H. Thorne, telephone,	10	
	<hr/>	\$64 74

MRS. MARY CLARK.

Paid Mrs. Mary Clark, board,	\$467 14	
Framingham Hospital,	22 50	
H. H. Thorne, expenses,	2 00	
D. F. Kennedy, ambulance,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$497 64

J. SPELLMAN.

Paid town of Upton, aid,	\$28 00
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CHARLES PARISH AND FAMILY.

(Wife Settlement.)

Paid town of Franklin, aid, part payment,	\$50 00
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PHILIP NATHANSON.

(State.)

Paid E. F. Richardson, casket,	\$6 00
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MRS. SARAH G. MORLEY.

Paid city of Newton, board,	\$146 40
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W. P. FRINK.

Paid W. M. Hoar, groceries,	\$61 39	
A. E. Burt, "	52 90	
E. F. Richardson, milk,	23 79	
Thorne Bros., coal and wood,	29 00	
L. Clark, wood,	9 00	
J. C. Thorne, taxes,	15 72	
	<hr/>	\$191 80

T. L. FISKE.

Paid W. L. Palmer, fuel,	\$41 25	
Cash,	12 50	
	<hr/>	\$53 75

CHARLES SPENCER.

Paid Thorne Bros., wood,		\$23 50
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Incidentals.

Paid Dr. Hill, medical attendance,	\$40 00	
L. A. Mann, expenses,	10 00	
H. H. Thorne, "	1 00	
G. W. Woolvett, printing,	75	
	<hr/>	\$51 75

Salary Account.

Paid F. Swarman,	\$20 00	
L. A. Mann,	30 00	
H. H. Thorne,	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$90 00
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		\$1625 43

Summary.

Amount received,	\$1,629 11	
Amount spent,	1,625 43	
Balance,	<hr/>	\$3 68

We have about \$400 of unpaid bills on hand.

HERBERT H. THORNE,
F. SWARMAN,
L. A. MANN.

Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE WATER COM- MISSIONERS.

We have had to paint the stand pipe at a cost of \$192.10 and have paid the insurance on the boilers for three years at \$75.00 which has always been done before by special appropriation. We have also put the pumping station in good repair by putting in new cement floors and painting the building inside and out, and have laid 200 feet of new 8-inch main on Curve street, at a cost of \$154.01, and put in a new hydrant at East Millis. There has been five new water takers this year. Below you will find the average number of gallons of water pumped for eight months. Unable to give the year on account of having to use the small pump while the stand pipe was being painted.

		1908.
Average number of gals. pumped per day,	Jan.	34,497 gals.
"	"	Feb. 42,225 "
"	"	Mar. 37,585 "
"	"	Apr. 39,164 "
"	"	May 38,424 "
"	"	June 45,654 "
"	"	July 49,487 "
"	"	Aug. 39,181 "

The following is the amount of sinking fund on interest including dividends for 1908:

Dedham Institute of Savings,	\$1549 75
Medway Savings Bank,	1460 11
Newton "	1436 51
Natick "	1381 76
Home " of Boston,	1113 29
Milford "	1211 44
Newton Centre "	1125 31
Franklin "	1066 00
So. Framingham "	663 00
Holliston "	650 00

	\$11657 17

JOSEPH S. ADAMS,
 CHARLES LACROIX,
 GEORGE G. HOFF,
 Water Commissioners.

G. G. HOFF, WATER REGISTER,

In account with Town of Millis Water Department.

Appleyard, A. E.	\$36 50
Albee, A. A.	12 00
Adams, J. S.	8 00
" Arthur	12 00
Babcock, A. J.	8 00
Buxton, W. R.	19 00
Bacon, Silas, est.	24 00
Brown, A. A.	2 00
Barker, Mrs. J. H.	9 00
Beal, John	16 00
Bradford, H. H.	16 00
Clark, W. P.	21 00
Clark, F. R.	10 50
Clark, J. W.	13 00
Chicquot Club Co.	29 57
Cunningham, M. W.	20 00
Choate, Charles M.	13 00
Clark, Mrs. Mary	17 00
Crusar, Mrs. H.	30 00
Cong. Church	8 00
Clark, Edmond	13 25
Dimon, O. P.	12 00
Day, Mrs. Martha	9 00
Dean, O. T.	28 00
Duhamel, Napoleon	12 00
Daniels, Mrs. Catherine	8 00
Daniels, C. A.	8 65
Daniels, C. E.	14 00
Duhamel, Joseph	27 00
Daniels, J. B.	9 50
Delpha, Joseph	21 00
Emerson, C. W.	29 00
Fuller, B. W.	8 00
Folsom, J. S., Est.	12 00

Frink, William	\$8 00
Frink, Samuel	6 70
Grange Hall association	8 00
Gately, Daniel	12 00
Godfrey & Whitcomb	1 34
Holbrook, Ellen R.	4 00
" George F.	4 00
" George P.	25 00
Harding, Thomas, Est.	24 00
Hill, Mrs. E. A.	12 00
" Dr. E. L.	18 00
" Susan B.	15 00
Hanson, Mrs. J. W.	14 00
Hosmer, Henry E.	22 00
Herman, J. M. & Co.	202 97
Holcomb, W. P.	39 00
Hoff, G. G.	19 00
Huntley, Laura	8 00
Hollander, T. C.	15 00
Henigan, Mrs. Thomas	14 00
Holder, I. C.	14 00
Hood, C. F.	12 00
Hoar, Mrs. W. M.	6 00
Holland, Fred, Jr.	7 00
Ireland, Leonard	12 00
King, M. L.	14 00
LaCroix, Charles	35 00
LaCroix, Edward	12 00
Lovell, E. F.	6 00
McMahan, Mrs. Thomas	8 00
Murphy, Daniel	8 00
Mannix, William, Est.	8 00
Mason, Mrs. Eliza F.	8 00
Martinson, M. J.	15 00
Millis, H. L.	21 50
Mann, Lowell A.	16 00

McDonald, James	\$12 00
Morrill, George	4 00
Merrill, G. F.	8 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	15 00
Neilson, George	6 50
Olson, John	9 75
Oliver, D. B.	18 00
Pitfield, E. Peter	11 00
Payson, G. R.	10 00
Post, B. F.	15 00
Proe, William	6 00
Parker, J. B.	23 00
Pike, C. A.	6 00
Perkins, Fred	6 00
Rowell, W. D.	33 00
Richardson, E. F.	85 70
Roach, H. S.	12 00
Ruettinger, Charles	2 00
Reincke, W. T.	32 42
Slayton, G. C.	8 00
" J. C. F.	56 46
Stafford, Mrs. A.	23 00
Stone, Mrs. Nellie	12 00
Shepardson, G. K.	9 00
Stevens, Clark	6 00
Thorne, W. H.	12 00
Thorne Bros.	101 05
Upton, W. H.	2 00
Van Kleeck, W. L.	8 00
Ware, Inez A.	4 00
Weisbrod, Mrs. A.	8 00
Woolvett, G. W.	8 00
" Mrs. B. H.	84 00
Whiting, W. W. Est.	20 50
Wright, Mrs. Jennie	12 00
Wight, Mrs. L.	8 00

Willard, Frank	\$12 00
Whiting & Rowell	9 00
West, M. J.	19 00
Ward, Mrs. Jennie	12 00
Ward, Mrs. Eliz.	12 00
Wade, H.	16 00
Total amount received for water,	———— \$1987 86
Pipe sold to Clicquot Club Co.	39 37
Fines,	20
Balance on hand last year,	696 86
	————
Total,	\$2724 29

Sinking Fund.

Received from town treasurer,	\$650 00
Deposited in Holliston Savings Bank,	650 00

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Office expenses,	\$12 56
Insurance on buildings,	30 00
" boilers,	75 00
Coal,	665 89
Wood,	4 50
J. S. Adams, engineer's salary,	728 00
G. G. Hoff, water register,	50 00
	———— \$1565 95

Pumping station expenses as follows:

George R. Hill, labor,	\$33 04
G. S. Clark, lumber,	8 00
Adams & Bicknell, labor,	2 00
Charles LaCroix, "	12 00
Edward LaCroix, "	11 05
Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	81 33
Freight,	1 72
Express,	3 25
Dean Steam Pump Co., supplies,	37 60
1-2 of telephone for one year,	7 00

E. F. Lovell, painting,	\$14 67	
Steam Packing Co., supplies,	1 55	
Thorne Bros., cement, &c.,	26 35	
Braman Dow & Co., snpplies,	5 92	
J. S. Adams, labor,	3 50	
B. W. Fuller, supplies,	13 93	
New England Iron Works, supplies,	4 00	
J. H. Shannon, labor,	3 60	
Adams & Bicknell, supplies,	2 50	
Garlock Packing Co., "	15 61	
W. M. Hoar, "	1 10	
G. F. Holbrook, labor,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$293 81

Painting Stand Pipe.

Rhode Island Roofing Co., two coats		
inside and out,	\$135 00	
New England Iron Works, gasket,	2 50	
A. C. Adams, extra engineer,	54 60	
	<hr/>	\$192 10

New Work.

Laying 200 feet 8-in. main on Curve Street,		
Pipe,	\$80 61	
Lead,	11 48	
Freight,	5 02	
Labor,	56 90	
	<hr/>	\$154 01

Relaying Pipe to Mrs. M. Richardson.

200 feet 3-in. pipe, had on hand,		
Labor,	\$48 60	
	<hr/>	\$48 60
New hydrant at East Millis,		16 20
Labor for connecting new water takers and repairing:		
A. Shepardson, labor,	\$4 37	
Chas. LaCroix, "	21 00	

R. King, labor,	\$12 00	
E. LaCroix, "	27 13	
E. Jillson, "	7 10	
Repairing meters,	7 15	
	<hr/>	\$79 75
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		\$2350 42

Summary.

Amount on hand last report,	\$696 86
Amount received this year,	2027 43
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	\$2724 29
Amount paid out,	\$2350 42
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Amount on hand,	\$373 87

Imaginary Summary.

Received from water takers,	\$2027 43
" town for hydrants,	1200 00
" " water troughs,	50 00
" " school house,	15 00
" " Niagara hall,	12 00
" " cemetery,	16 00
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	\$3320 43

Paid Out.

Running expenses for year,	\$2350 42
Interest on water bonds,	1200 00
Sinking fund,	650 00
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	\$4200 42
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Shortage,	\$879 99

Respectfully submitted,
 G. G. HOFF,
 Water Register.

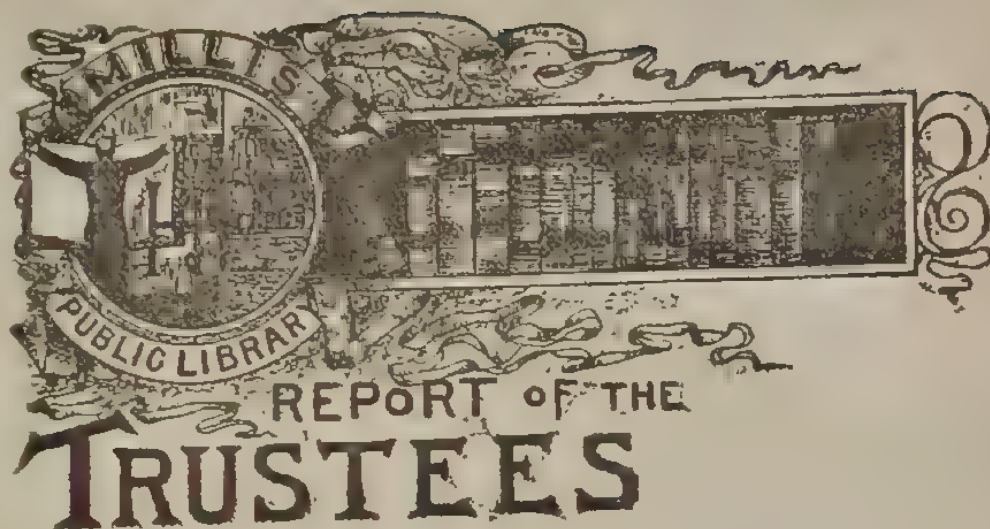
The accounts of the water register have been examined
 and found correct.

FRED B. ROACH,
 Auditor.

PARK COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

Received from A. Stafford, pasturage,	\$5 00
Paid treasurer,	5 00

G. G. HOFF,
 LOUIS LACROIX,
 SAMUEL FRINK,
 Park Commissioners.



FINANCIAL REPORT.

We recommend the appropriation of the dog tax for the ensuing year.

Receipts.

Feb. 1, 1908, Balance in town treasury,	\$229 71	
" hands of trustees,	17 90	
Fines 1908,	19 60	
Dog tax 1908,	228 36	
	————	\$495 57

Expenditures.

Paid W. P. Clark, insurance three years,	\$49 14
Miss Mary Fuller, librarian,	50 50
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	131 97
Herman Goldberger, magazines,	19 15
Massachusetts Magazine,	4 50

Paid A. D. Worthington & Co.,	\$5 00	
Journal of American History,	3 00	
G. W. Woolvett, printing,	10 25	
B. W. Fuller, supplies,	1 00	
E. E. Adams, "	60	
Radford Architectical Co., books,	5 00	
Adams Express,	62	
Balance in town treasury,	209 06	
" hands of trustees,	5 78	
	-----	\$495 57

HERBERT H. THORNE,
Treasurer of the Trustees.

List of Recent Additions to the Millis Public Library.

Abbott, Jacob. A boy on a farm, at work and at play	Ab 223
Adams, Samuel H. Great American fraud	614.353 Ad 1
Apthorp, William Foster. Musicians and music lovers	927 Ap 1
Baker, Arthur (Editor). American Esperanto book	408.9 B 75
Baldwin, James. Old stories of the East	902 B 19
Barnard, Charles. Tools and machines	680 B 26
Brooks, Amy. Dorothy Dainty	B 792
Dorothy's playmates	B 792-1
Dorothy Dainty at school	B 792-2
Dorothy Dainty at the shore	B 792-3
Dorothy Dainty in the city	B 792-4
Dorothy Dainty's gay times	B 792-5
Brown, Horatio F. In and around Venice	910.2 B 81
Burnham, Clara Louise. Leaven of love	B 933 6
Burton Alma Holmes. Story of the Indians of New England	970.1 B 95
Butler, Ellis Parker. Pigs is pigs	B 972
Byington, Ezra H. The Puritans, 2 vols.	285.9 B 99
Cable, George W. The cavalier	C 112-3
Carey, Rosa N. Sunny side of the hill, The	C 18-7
Carey, Wymond. No. 101	C 182-1
Chambers, Robert W. Fighting chance, The	C 335-4
Churchill, Winston. Mr. Crewe's career	C 475-3
Crawford, F. Marion. In the palace of the king (replaced)	C 85-23
Whosoever shall offend	C 85-27
Crawdson, Charles N. Tales of the road	C 805
Connolly, James B. Crested seas, The	C 763-1
Cutting, Mary Stewart. The wayfarers	C 98
Dawes, Mrs. S. E. Colonial Massachusetts	974.4 D 32
Day, Holman. King Spruce	D 33-1

- Dumas, Alexandre. Count of Monte Cristo
(replaced) D 30-4
- Pagan, J. O. Confessions of a railroad signal-
man 315.812 F 11
- Pinnemore, John. Peeps at many lands: England 910 F 492
- Flynt, Josiah. Little brother. The 339 F 67-1
- Ford, Paul Leicester. Janice Meredith (replaced) F 75-1
- Foulke, Elizabeth E. Twilight stories F 18
Braided straws F 68-1
- Fox, John. Knights of the Cumberland. F 832-2
- French, Allen. The colonial F 872
- Gardner, Edmund G. Story of Siena and San
Gemignano 9.455 G 17
- Gibson, Maud Clark. Knitting of the souls G 25
- Gibson, William H. Our native orchids 584.15 G 352
- Gilbert, Edith I. and Ariadne. Frolicsome
four, The G 372
- Glasgow, Ellen. Ancient Law. The G 463
Voice of the people. The G 493-1
- Goldsmith, Sir Roger de Coverly, vicar of Wake-
field G 57-1
- Gordon, Col. H. R. Pontiac, chief of the Ottawas. G 658
Red Jacket, the last of the
Senecas G 658-1
- Grant, Robert. Jack Hall G 765-6
- Gruether, H. A. Myths of Northern lands 291 G 93
- Hall, Ruth. In the brave days of old H 147
- Hammond, Capt. Harold. Pinkey Perkins, just a boy H 173
- Harris, Linnie Sarah. Sweet Peggy H 244
- Harnie, Henry. Captains and the kings 420.04 H 33
- Henderson, W. J. Last cruise of the Mohawk H 385
- Hichens, Robert. Call of the blood, The H 52
- Holmes, Gordon. Late tenant. The H 735-1
- Holmes, Mary J. Tempest and Sunshine
(replaced) H 73-5
- Houston, Edwin J. The young prospector H 81

- Hungerford, M. A. Beauty's daughter H 58.2
 Jackson, Gabrielle E. Denise and Ned Toodles I 135
 James, Martha. Hero of Pigeon Camp Ia 76
 Jenks, Tudor. Electricity for young people J 110
 Jerome, Harriet Louise Gap in the fence I 137
 Johnston, Annie Fellows Little colonel stories I 133
 Little colonel's house party J 63.1
 Little colonel's holidays J 63.2
 Kellogg, Rev. Elmer Ark of Elm Island (replaced) K 20
 Boy farmers K 20.1
 Charlie Bell K 20.2
 Handscrabble K 20.4
 Young shipbuilders K 20.6
 Lion Ben K 20.7
 King, Charles. Found in the Philippines K 20.14
 Kingsley, Nellie. Story of Capt. Meriwether and
 Capt. William Clark 62 I 138
 Larsson, Gustaf. Elementary sloyd and whit
 ting 371-32 I 32
 Lawson, Thomas. Friday, the thirteenth I 41
 Lewis, Alfred Henry. Woltville days I 78.1
 Lewis, H. H. (editor). A gunner aboard the
 Yankee I 586
 Lillibridge, Will. Where the trail divides I 23
 Little, Frances. Lady of the decoration, The I 72
 Logan, Mrs. John D. Thirty years in Wash-
 ington 975.1 I 78
 London, Jack. The road I 84.3
 Lyle, Eugene P., Jr. The Missourian I 986
 MacGrath, Harold. Lure of the mask The M 17.1
 MacLeod, Norman. Gold thread, The M 15
 Mallory, R. DeWitt. Lenox and the Berkshire
 Highlands 974.11 M 26
 Malone, Capt. Paul B. Winning his way to West
 Point M 293

- Mason, A. E. W. Broken road, The M 38-2
- McCarthy, Justin. History of our times, vols.
3, 4, 5 912 M 12
- McCutcheon, George Barr. Man from Brodneys,
The M 138-3
- More, E. Anson. Captain of men M 71
- Mowry, Wm. A. and Blanche. American
pioneers 923-9 M 87
- Munroe, Kirk. In pirate waters M 92-9
- Ollivant, Alfred. The gentleman Ol 45-1
- Oppenheim, E. Phillip. Great secret, The Op 5-3
As a man lives Op 5-4
- Pepper, Mary Sifton. Maids and matrons of
New France 971.4 P 31
- Potter, Mary Knight. How Richard won out P 852
- Pratt, Mara L. Legends of the red children 398.2 P 88
Far east and far west red
children 398.2 P 88-1
- Price, Lillian S. Lads and lassies of other days P 937
- Proctor, Mary. Stories of starland
- Rice, Alice Hegan. Captain June R 36-3
- Richards, Laura E. Queen Hildegarde R 39-5
Wooring of Calvin Parks R 39-6
Peggy R 39-7
- Roberts, Charles G. D. Watchers of the trail R 539 3
- Rohlls, Anna K. (Green). Filigree ball, The R 635-4
That affair next door R 635-5
- Roosevelt, Theodore. The naval war of 1812 973-5 R 67-4
- Saunders, Marshall. Tilda Jane Sa 9
- Scandlin, Christiana. Hans the Eskimo Sc 6
- Smith, F. Hopkinson. Peter Sm 58-10
- Snaith, J. C. Patricia of the inn Sna 1
- Stockton, Frank B. A jolly fellowship St 6-12
- Stoddard, Wm. O. Winter fun St 93-5

- Stratemeyer, Edward. Fighting for his own St 8-1
 Minute boys of Bunker hill St 8-3
 Shorthand Tom, the reporter St 8-4
 Boat club boys of Lakeport St 8-5
- Swett, Sophia. Stories of Maine 874.1 Sw 3
- Tarkington, Booth. His own people T 17-1
- Thirlmere, Rowland. Letters from Catalonia 946.7 T 34-1
- Thomson, Edward W. The young boss T 38
- Tracy, Lewis. Red year, the story of the Indian
 mutiny T 672.1
 Wheel o' Fortune T 672-2
- Van Bergen, R. Story of China 951 V 26
 Story of Japan 915.2 V 26
 Story of Russia 947 V 26
- Vance, Louis Joseph. Black bag, The V 273
 Brass bowl, The V 273-1
- Van Vorst, Mrs. John. Cry of the children: a
 study of child labor 331.3 V 97
- Vital records to 1850 of Dover, Marlboro, Lynnfield,
 Middlefield, Templeton.
- Wallace, Dillon. Ungara Bob W 15-2
- Waller, M. E. Wood-carver of Lympus W 14
- Ward, Mrs. Humphrey. Testing of Diana Mallory W 215-7
- Warde, Margaret. Betty Wales, sophomore W 218
 Betty Wales, junior W 218-1
- Warner, Anne. A woman's will W 245-2
 Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary W 245-3
 Seeing England with Uncle John W 245-4
- Washburn, W. The first stone and other stories W 27
- Webster, Jean. Jerry Junior W 38
- Wesselhoeft, Lily F. Fairy folks of Blue Hill W 51
- Wharton, Edith. House of mirth, The W 554-1
- Wheeler, Chas. G. Wood-working for beginners 694.1 W 56
- White, Stewart Edward. Arizona nights W 587-2
 Riverman, The W 587-3

Williamson, C. N. and A. M.	The chaperon	W 678-3
Winfield, Arthur M.	The Rover boys at school	W 72
Wood, Mrs. Henry.	East Lynne	W 852
Wright, Mabel Osgood.	At the sign of the fox	W 937

L. LACROIX,

E. E. ADAMS,

H. H. THORNE,

Trustees.



The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report

The cemetery has been cleaned up twice during the year and the fence has been painted. We would recommend the usual appropriation of \$25.00.

Receipts.

Appropriation,	\$25 00	
Received from Mary Adams fund,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 00

Expenditures.

T. L. Fiske, labor,	\$11 90	
G. E. Staniford, labor,	12 00	
L. A. Mann, "	9 50	
E. LaCroix, "	1 00	
E. F. Richardson, "	15 74	
E. F. Lovell, painting,	4 86	
	<hr/>	\$55 00

The following sums have been deposited in the Medway Savings bank, interest to be expended in the care of these lots.

June 17, 1907, Stephen Smith lot,	\$50 00
Sept 9, 1907, Wm. Hunting lot,	50 00
Apr. 24, 1908, Nathan Jones lot and tomb,	100 00
Jan. 20, 1909, Jonathan Adams lot,	50 00

Respectfully,

L. A. MANN,

F. SWARMAN,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

Commissioners.

CEMETERY TRUST FUND.

Mary Adams Fund.

Mary Adams fund,	\$841 81
Interest to Dec. 1, 1908,	33 87
Rec. Louis Chamberlain for lot,	10 00
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	\$885 68
Withdrawn for care of cemetery,	30 00
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Feb. 1, 1909, balance,	\$855 68

Joseph Harding Fund.

Joseph Harding fund,	\$305 00
Interest to Dec. 1, 1908,	12 27
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	\$317 27
Paid for care of lot,	1 00
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1909,	\$316 27

Mary Lovell Fund.

Mary Lovell fund,	\$371 01
Interest to Dec. 1, 1908,	14 93
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	\$385 94
Care of lots and cleaning stone,	16 00
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1909,	\$369 94

Respectfully,

E. F. RICHARDSON,
Treasurer Cemetery Commissioners.



TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Appropriation \$100, to include cutting brush on highways.

Expended Account Brush Work.

J. J. Campbell,	\$5 05
P. J. Collins,	4 67
C. Mulmat,	2 50
A. A. Albee,	25 35
F. H. Holland, Jr.,	2 00
L. LaCroix and man,	3 50
Billhook,	1 00
	<hr/> \$44 70

Tree Work.

F. H. Holland, Jr.,	\$6 25	
L. LaCroix and man,	31 65	
A. A. Albee,	6 05	
M. V. Mann, trees,	7 35	
M. E. Cutler, "	2 00	
Trimmers,	2 00	
	— — —	55 30
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		\$100 00

LOUIS LACROIX,
Tree Warden.

ENGINEERS REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fires 1908-9.

	Estimated Damage
Apr. 6. L. Simon's barn,	\$1200 00
May 17. Allyn Cole's camp,	400 00
23. Wood land near Pumping station,	2 00
26. Coal shed Am. Felt Co., City Mills,	16 00
June 2. Wood fire Rockville corner,	6 00
15. R. R. bridge, Plain street,	25 00
Aug. 3. House J. Green, Baltimore street,	3 00
Jan. 7, '09. Chimney at house of Wm. Sawyer,	4 50
26, " E. Waite,	4 50

Bills Approved 1908.

George P. Simmons,	\$12 00
W. H. Thorne,	14 50
George LaCroix,	2 50
Thorne Bros.,	57 10
Cyrus E. Sawyer, clerk,	148 75
" "	4 75
E. L. Richardson,	4 00
E. F. Lovell, clerk,	286 58
Frank Braun,	5 00

Patrick J. Collins,	\$11 25
Chas. LaCroix,	22 00
Henry L. Wright & Sons,	7 80
Edison Elec. Ill. Co.,	5 03
Walter M. Prescott,	3 25
Frank Braun,	4 00
Est. of W. W. Whiting,	1 33
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co.,	2 50
E. J. Keith,	1 15
G. G. Hoff, express agent,	05
Edison Elec. Ill. Co.,	4 00
B. W. Fuller,	1 86

\$600 00

Town appropriation, \$600 00

We would recommend an appropriation of \$600.00 for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES LACROIX,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

JOHN W. CRIBBIE,

Fire Engineers of Millis.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Dr

To warrant,	15,675 14
Excise tax,	60 7
Interest and obli. on a	5 35
	— 215,790 16

Cr.

By amount paid treasurer	\$15,650 52
Abatements, 1908,	139 14
	———\$15,790 16

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLAFENCE THORNE,

Collector.

Millis, Feb. 6, 1909

REPORT OF GYPSY MOTH SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my second annual report as local superintendent of the gypsy moth work.

Since my last report, the several trees in the localities of the infested places found last year, were burlaped and were attended during the summer months, with good results. There were thirty-eight (38) lavas found and destroyed during the summer's inspection, and this fall's scouting did not disclose any egg-clusters on these places.

The burlaps in the colony near Clark's camp found in 1906, were turned twice during the summer and no lavas were found, so it points very strongly to the fact, that the moth pests have been suppressed in this immediate locality.

At the date of the present report, there has been twelve (12) brown tail moths, some forty-eight (48) new gypsy moth infestations found and upwards of one hundred and ninety-one (191) egg clusters treated.

The most important infestation was in the woodland near the vicinity of Fay's camp, which is near the Medfield line, there being nine (9) egg clusters found and treated.

The infested orchards in this town present the worst problem, and there has been a general lack of interest apparent on the part of property owners, so far as assisting the local superintendent was concerned. These infested orchards should have most careful attention during 1909, if the gypsy moth is to be kept under control.

I sincerely think that if the property owners would try to keep their trees well pruned and the cavities tinned and cemented, it would not only greatly help in reducing the work of the local man, but also the expense to the town.

The town's appropriation for this year's work has already been exhausted, and if in the future it wishes a reimbursement from the state, the property owners will be obliged to be assessed for their share of the expense or otherwise attend to the work themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIS W. ALLEN,

Local Superintendent.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Millis-

I submit to you my report as inspector of animals.

One inspection of all neat cattle and premises has been made. Thirteen cows have been quarantined and later killed by the agent of the cattle bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK.

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE.

Expenses.

Paid for music,	\$24 60	
flowers,	10 50	
Moses Ellis Post, G. A. R.,	2 00	
for team and railroad fare for speaker,	1 75	
flags,	5 80	
luncheon,	7 68	
labor,	1 50	
G. W. Woolvett for printing,	2 50	
Grange Hall association and for dishes,	2 50	
J. Clarence Thorne for barge,	3 00	
for expenses, express, carfares,	5 62	
Rev. Frank Daniels for address,	0 00	
	—	\$67 51
Town appropriation,		75 00
Expended,		67 51
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Balance,		\$7 69

J. W. CLARK,
M. J. WEST,
Memorial Day Committee.



HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation,	\$1500 00	
Street Railroad excise tax,	99 67	
From Mr. Smlth,	12 25	
	<hr/>	\$1611 92
Paid Lemuel Clark for plank,	88 01	
Good Roads Machine Co. on Road		
Machine,	108 20	
Freight,	2 05	
	<hr/>	\$198 26

South Highway

Paid Timothy J. McCarty, team,	\$48 50
Michael Maguire, labor,	17 89
Anton Braun, "	20 22
David Keele, "	19 25
Fred Montague, "	15 46
Marshal Ackley, "	2 00
Arthur Davenport, "	3 00
Lewis Chamberlain, team,	20 25
Francis H. Daniels, "	13 50

Paid Louis Simon, gravel,	\$24 50	
H. E. Hosmer, lumber and labor,	10 00	
Frank Braun, labor and gravel,	9 48	
E. L. Richardson, labor, team and man,	76 75	
		\$58 68

Center Highway.

Paid G. C. Thrasher, labor, team and expense,	\$70 64	
Thorne Brothers, labor and team, (Wight street),	25 00	
Thorne Brothers, labor and team, (Union street),	26 75	
Thorne Brothers, teams, men and supplies,	155 48	
E. L. Richardson, team,	13 50	
E. F. Richardson, team and man,	13 50	
" drain tile and labor,	44 20	
" freight,	4 20	
Harris W. Alden, team,	31 00	
John A. Hutchins, labor,	12 00	
Henry Smith, "	20 03	
Arthur Albee, "	10 25	
Ralph Choate, "	9 70	
Rudolph King, "	4 35	
Albert Johnson, "	3 50	
Edward E. Adams, team and man,	7 02	
Edward LaCroix, repairing watering trough,	7 50	
Lowell A. Mann, repairs,	3 00	
John W. Moore, sidewalks,	25 00	
		\$812 47

North Highway

Paid Henry Smith, labor,	\$40 40
Geo. Cassidy, "	88

Paid J. Dinneen, labor,	\$29 75	
M. Sullivan, "	7 19	
Patrick Connolly, "	13 80	
Arthur Albee, "	22 75	
W. E. Cushing, "	22 75	
Burton Parker, "	15 75	
A. A. Morrill, "	5 68	
John Demery, "	19 25	
J. H. Shannon, "	2 35	
B. W. Fuller, nails and supplies,	4 75	
F. E. Cook, team, man and labor,	18 05	
Lemuel Clark, teams and men,	171 35	
" cash to E. Buckley,	26 69	
Lyman Cook, team,	15 75	
Chas. LaCroix, "	58 50	
M. Cunningham, team,	43 00	
Louis LaCroix, "	36 75	
T. J. Cassidy, teams and men,	30 02	
S. G. Clark, lumber,	17 70	
	<hr/>	\$604 19
Total,		<hr/> \$1611 82
Balance,		<hr/> 10

Concrete Walks.

Appropriation,	\$200 00
Paid John W. Moore,	200 00

State Road 1906 Allotments.

Paid Thorne Brothers balance on bill,	\$307 00
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State Road.

Received from state,	\$920 00
" town,	500 00
	<hr/> \$1420 00

Paid for labor, men,	\$623 18	
" teams,	648 00	
Gravel,	91 45	
Expense,	57 37	
	<hr/>	\$1420 00

The State Highway Commission laid out 2200 feet of road to build for \$1520.00. There was 2800 feet built, and there is \$100.00 left to finish and roll it in the spring.

Union Street Sidewalk.

Appropriation,	\$50 00
Paid Thorne Brothers,	50 00

Main Street Sidewalk.

Appropriation,		\$100 00
Paid Chas. LaCroix, labor and gravel,	\$33 15	
Geo. C. Thrasher, team labor,	13 50	
J. B. Brown,	9 00	
Thorne Brothers,	4 50	
Burton Parker, labor,	7 00	
J. Dinneen,	5 25	
Henry Smith,	7 00	
Arthur Albee,	11 00	
W. E. Cushing,	1 75	
Charles Choate, gravel,	7 25	
	<hr/>	\$99 40
Balance,		60

Street Lights.

Appropriation,	\$175 00	
Balance on bank tax,	853 53	
	<hr/>	\$1028 53
Paid Edison Electric Illuminating Co.,		944 55
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Balance,		\$83 98

Gypsy Moth.

Appropriation,		\$301 45
Paid Harris W. Alden, superintendent,	\$195 42	
B. W. Fuller, supplies,	8 26	
J. B. Parker, labor,	72 04	
J. B. Daniels, stamped envelopes and supplies,	15 12	
Stoddard, Haserich & Richards,	10 48	
	-----	\$301 32
Balance,		13

Snow Bills.

Appropriation,		\$200 00
Paid Charles LaCroix, labor,	\$2 63	
John Finch, "	88	
Geo. C. Thrasher, "	1 00	
Albert Hudson, "	88	
Thorne Bros., cleaning and sanding walks,	52 50	
E. L. Richardson, cleaning walks, "	4 20	
	-----	\$62 09
Balance,		\$137 91

Good Order and Liquor Sales.

Appropriation,		\$100 00
Paid William H. Thorne, police duty expense,	\$36 90	
Geo. P. Holbrook, legal service,	30 00	
Geo. C. Thrasher, reward and detec- tive service,	12 25	
Philip Conley, reward (Mr. Smith's horse),	15 00	
Adams & Bicknell, automobile,	5 00	
B. W. Fuller, telephone service,	85	
	-----	\$100 00

State Aid.

Paid Clara Abbott,	\$48 00	
Olive M. Adams,	48 00	
Clara E. Daggett,	48 00	
Eliza A. Hill,	48 00	
Eliza F. Mason,	48 00	
George L. Myer,	48 00	
Almena C. Hanson,	48 00	
Hannah Whiting,	24 00	
	————	\$360 00

Incidentals.

Appropriation,	\$1200 00	
Court fees,	55 00	
Junk licenses,	20 00	
Pool and auction licenses,	8 00	
State,	6 00	
1-2 inspection of animals,	30 00	
	————	\$1319 00

Paid Edison Electric Ill, Co., office and library,	\$13 89	
J. C. Thorne, balance for collecting taxes,	74 67	
William H. Thorne, police duty,	72 38	
Daniel J. Murphy, ballot clerk,	2 00	
Edmund F. Lovell, "	2 00	
Albert Babcock, "	2 00	
Lyman A. Cook, inspector of animals,	60 00	
O. T. Dean, land damage,	21 50	
Fred B. Roach, auditor,	25 00	
Stilman J. Spear, printing,	7 50	
Lowell A. Mann, expenses to Gardner, Mass.,	5 70	
G. W. Woolvett, printing town reports,	129 80	

Paid G. W. Woolvett, printing warrants and notices,	\$35 60
Louis LaCroix, lumber and labor,	11 46
Hobbs & Warren, stationary,	6 75
Returned court fees,	30 00
Ernest L. Hill, M. D., Sterling case,	10 00
Malden Specialty Co., supplies,	1 50
Pneumatic Hand Stamp Co., stamps,	79
Chronotype Printing Co., supplies,	3 60
A. W. Brownell, assessors' blanks,	2 00
Thomas Touhey, police duty,	1 50
W. & L. E. Gurley, weights, balances and express,	84 85
E. L. Burdikin, real estate transfers,	10 00
S. G. Clark, lumber,	18 03
John H. Wyman, M.D., fumigating,	2 00
James M. McDonald, police duty,	2 00
H. C. Frink, "	2 50
D. J. Murphy, "	5 00
Herbert Wiggin, "	5 00
Henry Demery, watchman,	1 00
L. A. Mann, repairing shed,	5 00
Willard Roach, labor,	25
Elmer A. Lord, insurance,	40 08
L. A. Mann, expenses Roper case,	10 00
E. F. Lovell, labor and stock,	15 38
J. B. Daniels, postals and postage,	67
E. L. Hill, M.D., fumigating,	7 00
Geo. E. Staniford, ballot clerk,	2 00
D. J. Murphy, "	2 00
Geo. G. Hoff, heating of town office,	10 00
S. H. Frink, care of town office,	12 00
Grange Hall association, rent,	50 00
William H. Thorne, court fees,	75 09
Charles G. Brackett, assessor,	67 75
Stanley A. Clark, "	52 50

Paid Louis LaCroix, assessor,	\$52 50
“ town clerk,	25 00
“ office expenses,	8 00
“ recording births, marriages and deaths,	23 00
“ fees paid to under- takers,	6 25
“ fees paid to physic- ians,	6 50
Timothy J. McCarty, police duty,	10 00
Geo. P. Holbrook, moderator,	10 00
Evan F. Richardson, town treasurer,	100 00
“ office expenses,	24 25
George F. Holbrook, selectman,	50 00

 \$1314 64

Balance,

4 36

GEORGE F. HOLBROOK,
ELMER L. RICHARDSON,
ROLAND W. MANN,

Selectmen of Millis.

LIST OF JURORS.

George E. Staniford, photographer, Main street.

Lyman A. Cook, farmer, Orohard street.

Lowell A. Mann, organ repairer, Main street.

Bernard F. Post, farmer, Main street.

Charles M. Choate, bottler, Main street.

Edward LaCroix, plumber, Main street.

Timothy J. McCarthy, farmer, Village street.

Henry E. Hosmer, carpenter, Main street.

William T. Proe, machinist, Plain street.

Stanley A. Clark, farmer, Village street.

Louis LaCroix, farmer, Island street.

Walter H. Andrew, straw worker, Village street.

GEORGE F. HOLBROOK,

ELMER L. RICHARDSON,

ROLAND W. MANN,

Selectmen of Millis.

TREASURER'S REPORT

I herewith submit my report of the receipts and expenditures of the town for the year ending Jan. 31, 1909:

E. F. RICHARDSON, Treasurer,

In account with the TOWN OF MILLIS, MASS.

Balance on hand Feb., 1908,	\$1206 93
State of Mass. National Bank tax,	152 38
" Corporation tax,	159 39
" State aid,	300 00
" Inspection of animals,	30 00
" Support of paupers,	80 67
" School tuition,	63 00
" " supervision,	416 67
" High school aid,	500 00
" Income school fund,	1018 87
" State highways,	1228 00
Welch Brothers, poor department	124 75
Mary J. Ware, "	10 00
Estate of Mary Clark, poor department,	13 67
City of Boston, school tuition,	33 00
E. F. Richardson, stove, school department,	10 00
Mary Adams fund, cemetery department,	30 00
Park Commissioners,	5 00
District court fees,	55 00
Selectmen, licenses,	28 00

Lem Weidiss, state license,	\$6 00
George Smith, highway department,	12 25
Norfolk county, dog tax returned,	228 36
Medway Savings bank, demand notes,	9000 00
" note for one year,	500 00
J. C. Thorne, taxes for 1908,	15550 85
" Street railway tax 1908,	99 67
Interest account,	10 34
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	\$30872 82

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Selectmen's orders, roads, bridges and sidewalks,	\$1611 82
" incidentals, law and order,	1414 64
" snow,	62 09
" state aid,	360 00
" " road,	1727 00
" gypsy moths,	301 32
" street lights,	944 55
" concrete walks,	200 00
" sidewalk Union street,	50 00
" " Main street,	99 40
Overseers of poor, orders,	1625 43
Fire engineers, "	600 00
School committee, " schools,	6141 29
" " transportation,	1000 00
" " repairs Ellice school,	250 00
Trustees of public library, orders,	249 01
Tree warden, "	100 00
Cemetery commissioners, "	55 00
Memorial day committee, "	67 51
Water works committee, "	45 67
Sinking fund,	650 00
Interest on water bonds,	1200 00
State of Mass., note and interest,	870 00
Medway Savings bank, note and interest,	9293 29

State tax,	\$1200 00
County tax,	544 03
James T. Dunston, tax,	1 88
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1908,	198 89
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	\$30872 82
Balance due public library,	\$209 06

Liabilities.

Loans from state of Mass., at 4 per cent. interest, due as follows:

Dec. 1, 1909,	\$750 00
" 1910,	750 00
" 1911,	750 00
Water bonds due Dec. 1925,	30000 00
Medway Savings bank, note due Jan., 1910,	500 00

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

Treasurer.

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer and find them correct.

F. B. ROACH,

Auditor.

REPORT OF WATER COMMITTEE.

On June 25, 1908, at your request, I examined the locality near your Water Works Pumping Station, and at that time and later from you, obtained certain data in regard to the question of supplying the villages of Medway and West Medway with water by the town of Millis.

The distance from your pumping station to the Medway line is according to data received from you, 13,428 lineal feet, or about 2.55 miles. From the U. S. Geological map

the village of Millis	varies from about elevation 140 to 160,
“ Medway	“ 180 to 200,
“ West Medway	“ 180 to 240,

The Millis stand pipe is 20 feet in diameter and 80 feet high. I assume that the villages of Medway and West Medway would erect a stand pipe of their own, 100 feet high, on land having an elevation of about 260 feet above sea level. I also assume that the water in a collecting well at your pumping station from which you would pump would be at an average elevation of about 110 feet above sea level. The average lift for the pump into the new Medway standpipe including friction, I assume to be 245 feet.

In my judgment, the force main, which I have called 13,450 long, should be of 12 in. diameter pipe. While a 10 inch pipe could be used, the increased friction would require an increase in fuel which would cost somewhat more than the difference in interest and depreciation for the two sizes of pipe. As time went on and the amount of water pumped increased and the pipe became roughened on the inside from the growth of tubercles, the friction in the 10 inch pipe would increase rapidly.

The following estimate can only be considered as approximate, and before any definite action is taken should be checked by an accurate survey.

I understand that the population of the villages of Medway and West Medway is about 3000. With a consumption of 75 gallons per capita, 225,000 gallons per day or 82,125,000 gallons per year. While all buildings situated upon the pipe lines may not be connected at once, they soon will be. This is common experience. All new buildings will naturally be supplied with public water.

Approximate Estimate of Cost.

13,450 lineal feet of 12 inch cast iron water pipe,	
laid, at \$1.30,	\$17,485 00
16 12 inch valves, at \$31.00,	\$496 00
16 cast iron extension gate boxes,	
at \$4.00,	64 09
Special castings (estimated),	100 00
Rock excavation,	500 00
Collecting well,	8,000 00
New pumping machinery,	4,500 00
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	\$29,145 00
Add 10 per cent for engineering and contingencies,	2,914 50
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	\$32,059 50

Interest and Depreciation.

		Interest per ct.	Deprecia- tion. per ct.	
Pipe, gates, boxes, specials,	\$18,145 00	4	\$725 80	2 \$362 90
Rock excavation,	500 00	"	20 00	
Collecting well,	6 00 00	"	240 00	3 180 00
Pumping machinery,	4,500 00	"	180 00	4 180 00
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			1,165 80	722 90
			\$722 90	
			1,000 00	
Fuel,				
Additional engineering force at pumping station,			900 00	
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\$3,788 70 Cost per year
for supplying 225,000 gallons per day.

82,125,000 gallons sold at 8c. per thousand gallons would amount to \$6,570.00. From this amount deduct \$3,788.70, the estimated cost of supplying the same, and there remains the sum of \$2,781.30. A reduction in price would of course leave a smaller balance.

The configuration of the ground near the present pumping station and the material, from surface indications, appear to be favorable as regards a ground water supply. Test wells should however be driven to ascertain the nature of the soil and the amount of water it contains. The state board of health will no doubt require a pumping test of at least a week's duration to show the permanency of the supply and any deterioration of the quality.

On the day of my visit, sewage was found in what appeared to be the Boggastowe brook at a distance of only 400 feet from the Millis pumping station. This sewage apparently came from buildings situated near the N. H., N. H. & H. R. R., and is a serious menace to the purity of your

water supply. Its entrance into the brook should be stopped at once, not only on account of your own supply but also on account of your prospective supply for Medway. In time of freshet this sewage may be carried very near your own supply, and is liable to be spread over the low ground near your pumping station and left there by the receding water.

This sewage should in no case be allowed to enter the brook but should be purified by sand filtration or pumped to a locality where it cannot possibly injuriously affect your water supply.

I should strongly recommend that all consumers in Millis and Medway be supplied through meters, that the consumption be kept within reasonable limits.

In the estimate given above a Venturi meter for measuring the amount of water supplied to Medway has not been included as it might be a question as to which town should pay for it.

Other questions may arise which I shall be glad to answer, if able.

Very truly yours,

F. L. FULLER.

We wish to endorse especially what Mr. Fuller has said about the sewerage, as a dangerous menace to our water supply, and the sooner that question is settled properly the better, and also by advice of Mr. Fuller, we would recommend the discontinuance of any dumping of rubbish or waste material of any nature near the locality of the pumping station.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
Paid Mr. Fuller,	45 67

Balance,

\$54 33

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. ADAMS,

ED. LACROIX,

E. F. RICHARDSON,

Water Committee.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following is the account of all money received and expended by the school department:

RECEIPTS.

Annual grant for schools,	\$4100 00
" transportation,	1000 00
From state for superintendent,	416 67
" high school,	500 00
" income of school fund,	1018 87
" for tuition,	63 00
City of Boston for tuition,	33 00
sale of stove,	10 00
	<hr/> \$7141 54

EXPENDITURES.

Supervision.

M. J. West, superintendent,	\$450 00
B. G. Willard, school committee,	20 00
J. W. Crowther, "	20 00
O. T. Dean, "	20 00
W. H. Thorne, truant officer,	8 00
T. J. McCarty, "	5 00
	<hr/> \$523 00

Wages of Teachers.

C. B. Sylvester,	\$850 00
Laura M. Sanborn,	240 00
Elizabeth J. O'Neil,	224 00
Esmeralda W. Mann,	198 00
Olive L. Douglas,	198 00
Bertha G. Andrews,	360 00
Emily F. Morse,	198 00

Violet H. Barnes,	\$396 00	
Ethel F. Wood,	396 00	
Idamae Wood,	198 00	
Gertrude L. Farmer,	184 00	
Laura A. Baker,	180 00	
Mary L. Vose,	135 00	
	————	\$3757 00

Care of Schoolhouses.

S. H. Frink,	\$400 00	
Violet H. Barnes,	45 00	
Thomas King,	15 00	
	————	\$460 00

Fuel.

J. E. Lonergan & Co., coal,	\$87 25	
Thorne Bros. “	382 00	
E. F. Richardson, wood,	38 88	
	——	\$508 13

Transportation.

Harris Rotman,	\$650 00	
Bernard Post,	130 00	
Antonio d' Angelis,	130 00	
Medfield & Medway St. Ry. Co.,	90 00	
	————	\$1000 00

Books and Supplies.

J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	\$167 41	
Edward E. Babb & Co., books and sup- plies,	22 54	
American Book Co., books,	65 19	
Silver, Burdett & Co., “	10 54	
Ginn & Co., “	45 45	
D. C. Heath & Co., “	22 38	
Arthur W. Hall Scientific Co., supplies,	9 21	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., “	58 59	
Masury, Young Co., “	30 25	

E. J. Keith, supplies,	70	
F. W. Martin, "	80	
David Farquhar, binding books,	18 00	
The Davis Press,	1 50	
Thompson-Brown Co., books,	36 71	
Harry P. Clough, map,	2 00	
G. W. Woolvett, paper and printing,	5 00	
Charles E. Merrill Co., books,	1 28	
Freight, express and supplies,	\$29 41	
Supplies sold,	8 56	
	<hr/>	20 85
	<hr/>	\$518 40

Ordinary Repairs.

Edward LaCroix,	\$2 50	
Cole & Smith,	55 27	
American Seating Co.,	3 60	
Chandler & Barber,	6 20	
Estate of W. W. Whiting,	19 76	
E. F. Lowell,	14 20	
J. H. McNeil,	4 70	
Chas. A. Claflin Co.,	2 50	
W. T. Proe,	6 00	
S. G. Clark,	95	
H. H. Osgood & Co.,	3 96	
L. A. Mann,	2 50	
Louis LaCroix,	50	
C. E. Draper,	3 12	
	<hr/>	\$125 76

Permanent Improvements.

W. W. Whiting,	\$18 18	
Edward LaCroix,	28 11	
Grange Hall association, rent,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$146 29

Incidentals.

G. W. Woolvett, annual reports,	\$17 55	
" printing,	5 50	
Hopkinson & Holden, ladder,	9 75	
American LaFrance, Engine Co.,	31 50	
Carl B. Johnson, printing,	4 00	
Ethel F. Wood, washing towels,	2 00	
William C. Bates, lecture,	5 00	
J. W. Clark, sharpening lawn mower,	1 00	
W. H. Upton, cleaning clock,	1 00	
Adams & Bicknell, dry cells,	1 05	
M. J. West, school census,	8 00	
C. B. Sylvester, washing towels,	1 18	
B. W. Fuller, sundries,	15 18	
	————	\$102 71

Special Appropriation.

To apply to Ellice school building,	\$250 00
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EXPENDED.

Edward LaCroix,	\$100 00	
E. E. Babb & Co.,	23 70	
Cole & Smith,	37 32	
C. E. Simpson,	10 75	
E. F. Lovell,	72 23	
	————	\$250 00

State School Fund.

Income of state school fund,	\$1018 87
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EXPENDED.

C. B. Sylvester, teaching,	\$250 00
Elizabeth J. O'Neil, "	20 00
Esmeralda W. Mann, "	54 00
Olive L. Douglas, "	54 00
Bertha G. Andrews, "	72 00

Emily F. Morse, teaching,	856 00	
Violet H. Barnes, "	167 00	
Ethel F. Wood, "	168 00	
Idamae Wood, "	74 00	
Gertrude L. Farmer, "	40 00	
Laura A. Baker, "	40 00	
Mary L. Vose, "	100 00	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co. apparatus	47 57	
	<hr/>	\$1,492 57

Summary.

Supervision,	\$125 00	
Wages of teachers,	1,785 00	
Care of schoolhouses,	250 00	
Fuel,	200 00	
Transportation,	1,000 00	
Books and supplies,	512 50	
Ordinary repairs,	125 75	
Permanent improvement,	140 00	
Incidentals,	100 71	
Balance unexpended,	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,128 96

In making estimates for the coming year your committee wishes to call attention to some of the items as follows:

Wages of teachers. Your committee has found that in order to compete with other towns and retain teachers who have shown themselves to be efficient and capable of maintaining a desirable standard in the schools a general increase is necessary in the salaries.

Ordinary repairs. Under this item is included the amount which will be required to paint the Rockville school house and lay a new floor in the East room.

Transportation. Your committee makes the estimate under this item as a nominal one. In order to keep down the appropriation during the year, it was necessary to carry out all transportation during the milder months, except from Rockville and the extreme North end of the town.

We recommend the following appropriation for 1909:

Wages of teachers,	\$3900 00
Supervision,	475 00
Care of schoolhouses,	455 00
Fuel,	525 00
Books and supplies,	500 00
Ordinary repairs,	220 00
Rent of Grange Aall,	100 00
Incidentals,	125 00
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	\$6300 00
Estimated receipts from the state,	1850 00
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	\$4450 00
Transportation,	1000 00

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. WILLARD,

J. W. CROWTHER,

O. T. DEAN,

School Committee.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

BERTEL G. WILLARD, Chairman, term expires 1909.
 JOHN W. CROWTHER, Secretary, terms expires 1910.
 OSGOOD T. DEAN, term expires 1911.

Superintendent of Schools.

M. J. WEST.

Truant Officers.

W. H. THORNE, TIMOTHY J. McCARTY.

Teachers.

ADAMS SCHOOL.

Grades.	Where Educated.	Salary.
High	Charles B. Sylvester, A M., Principal, Dartmouth Coll.,	\$900
	Elizabeth I. O'Neil, A.B., Assistant, Radcliffe College,	464
VII-VIII.	Idamae Wood, Livermore Falls High School and Summer School,	396
V-VI.	Gertrude L. Farmer, Lowell Normal School,	382
III-IV.	Bertha G. Andrews, Bridgewater Normal School,	360

GRANGE HALL SCHOOL.

I-II.	Laura A. Baker, Kindergarten Training School,	360
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ELLICE SCHOOL.

IV-VII.	Violet H. Barnes, Principal, Bangor High School and Radcliffe College,	396
I-III.	Ethel F. Wood, Medfield High School,	396

Supervisor of Music.

Mary L. Vose, New School of Methods,	150
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Resignations.

Laura M. Sanborn.
 Esmeralda W. Mann.
 Olive L. Louglas.
 Emily F. Morse.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF MILLS.

According to custom and your request I have the honor to submit my seventh annual report on the condition of the public schools of Mills.

The maximum amount of salaries which we have been able to offer teachers is so low that they cannot be expected to remain many years with us, especially if good use is made of the experience which they gain in our schools. The loss that we sustain is relieved by a certain amount of satisfaction in knowing that they are sought by superintendents of other towns and cities, and are given positions which pay more than we can possibly offer. It is better to have our boys and girls under the instruction of those who have the capacity and ambition for improvement and growth, even if we know that they will not remain with us, rather than to select those whose chief recommendation is that they will stay. Being obliged to accept those who have not had all the benefits of education, training, and experience, it is not strange that, at times, we have some who do not come up to our wishes. When the selection is fortunate, however, it seems to me a wise plan to make an effort to retain the best, at least two years.

Since we have but eight grades in which to fit pupils for the high school, the standard of which must be maintained to meet the requirements of the state officials, it is very important to have strong teachers for grades five and six, and seven and eight. These grades have a claim upon us which we cannot deny, and I urge this as the place where more money can be profitably expended, and I trust that you will be as liberal as possible in behalf of these pupils.

The steady gain in the character of work done in our high school is very marked. This is shown by the earnestness of the pupils in their efforts to do thorough work, and in their good attendance and behavior.

An inspection of our course of study shows that it is broader than the usual course in small high schools, and requires a large amount, and a great variety of work on the part of our two teachers. These teachers have each a class recitation for every period of the day; thus depriving them of time to prepare experimental work in the sciences such as Physics and Chemistry. If we were to narrow the course to fewer studies, and thus make it easier for two teachers, a goodly number of our pupils would be deprived of the subjects which they need. To broaden the course and introduce studies such as Shorthand and Typewriting, along industrial lines, would put the management far beyond the power of two teachers. There should be more school work of the nature that appeals to our boys and girls, because it suggests to them advantages helpful to their future occupations. Of the high schools in the state there are seven which offer courses in agriculture. Our high school is one of the seven. I mention this to show that we are trying to introduce work that really has a connection with the homes of our pupils. We need more room; we need another teacher and material with which to work. We cannot be content as we are, but are doing our best with what we have. Our graduates are either carrying forward their work in still further fitting themselves for useful lives, or else are already useful in doing the world's work.

The exhibition of school work given in the church vestry last spring called out quite an interest from the parents and was a profitable showing of the year's work. It served to emphasize that we need better work in drawing, to secure which would require a drawing supervisor or teacher.

The work in music this year is far in advance of anything we have previously attempted. Under the supervision

of Miss Vose, teachers and pupils have worked hard for success and they deserve to have attention called to this subject. I refer you to Miss Vose's report for a more detailed account.

The repairs at the Ellice school, in the way of new blackboards, painting the walls, whitening the ceilings and varnishing the desks, give two very attractive schoolrooms. There is no cellar under the primary room and the worn floor contains cracks which allow uncomfortable breezes to come in on cold days. This is dangerous to the health of both teacher and pupils, and I trust the defect will be remedied next season. This school has enrolled eighty-one pupils this year, with an average attendance of about seventy-five.

Bills for text-books have been kept as small as possible. The arithmetics were so worn and soiled that it was necessary to purchase new books for several of the rooms. The old spellers have been exchanged for Alexander's Speller, which has been supplied to all the schools. Some new music charts have been purchased for the grades, and a set of Music Readers has been supplied to the High School. Some very useful physical and chemical apparatus, which includes a compound microscope, has been added to the equipment. Our texts on Physiology and Hygiene are becoming old and out-of-date, and I recommend a change for next year.

The graduating class of last June deserves our thanks for the two sets of books given to the reference library of the High School. Grades seven and eight have earned a new international dictionary and a number of volumes for their reading library. The Ellice School has earned enough to furnish two pictures for the primary room and a number of volumes to add to their library.

I have mentioned the wide-spread movement looking to industrial training, which we believe is bound to work for the advantage of our boys and girls. There is another movement which is gaining ground rapidly, and one which we cannot safely ignore. I refer to the great interest which is

being taken in the physical health of school children and the law requiring medical inspection. We have had medical inspection for nearly two years, but it has been so limited and restricted that we have come far short of deriving the possible benefits. In both years there has been an outbreak of diphtheria, and it is possible that the work of the school physician, in that official capacity, may have saved us from a wider spread of the disease. To prevent diseases like this and to hold them in check when they do appear, we need to use the utmost care, and the school physician should have his duties defined, and then his advice and authority should be respected and heeded. There are other conditions which call for the authority of the school physician, for there are children from clean homes who are obliged to come in contact with those who are not so well looked after. We need the presence of the clean children and their comfort and health should be guarded by compelling cleanliness on the part of all. The law gives the school physician power to do this provided he is given the opportunity to use it.

The following taken from high authority is well worth considering seriously. After making the statement that the fundamental principle of medical examination is to assist in adapting and modifying the system of education to the needs and capacities of the child, and to furnish facts which will guide educational authorities in relation to physical and mental development during school life this authority goes on to say, "It is evident that although this work involves (a) medical inspection of school children at regular intervals, (b) the oversight of the sanitation of the school buildings, and (c) the prevention, as far as may be, of the spread of infectious and contagious diseases, including skin diseases; action in these directions will be incomplete unless (d) the personal and home life of the child are also brought under systematic supervision. The home is the point at which health must be controlled ultimately. * * * Valuable to science though the findings of a more thorough and elabor-

ate medical examination might be, it is the broad, simple necessities of a healthy life which must be kept in view. It cannot be doubted that a large proportion of the common diseases and physical unfitness in this country can be substantially diminished by effective public health administration, combined with the teaching of Hygiene, and a realization by teachers, parents and children of its vital importance. The spread of communicable diseases must be checked; children's heads and bodies must be kept clean; the commoner and more obvious physical defects, at least, must be relieved, remedied or prevented; school-rooms must be maintained in cleanly condition, and they must be properly lighted, well-ventilated, and not over-crowded; the training of the mental faculties must not be divorced from physical culture and personal hygiene. It is these primary requirements which must first receive attention."

Just as long as we maintain schools in buildings where there is no opportunity to carry out the principles of hygiene in regard to light, ventilation, and sanitary conveniences, we must not be surprised to find our children falling victims to disease. A good physical condition is the best safeguard, and for its development we ought to bend our energies, both in the home and at school.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. WEST,

Superintendent of Schools.

Millis, Mass., Jan. 30, 1909.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF MUSIC.

Mr. M. J. West, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my second report on music.

The year just passed has been in many respects most satisfactory. There has been no radical change in my plan of work from that outlined in last year's report.

I regret that it has been necessary to demand so much technical work from pupils and teachers, but until a thorough grounding in technicalities has been made, little advancement can result in music as a study. Much progress has been made in the Eye and Ear Training work in all grades and a better sense of rhythm established. I have tried to inculcate an interest in music, and believe that the efforts of every child should be encouraged so that the daily "Music Period" be the brightest and happiest one of the day. A spirit of enthusiasm and pleasure must pervade each lesson in order to gain the best results. This spirit has surely grown during the past year. I shall endeavor during the next five months to do more in tone production and paying more attention to Song Interpretation.

In my last report I recommended that a certain standard should be obtained in this as in other branches, and now, thanks to the Committee, "Music" on the report card means a half-point toward promotion. With this in view, short monthly tests and one test at the close of the fall term were given.

My plan of work has been easier to develop this year owing to the new supply of charts—four in number, and the much-needed books for the High School. "Part Songs for Mixed Voices" will, I think, prove a source of pleasure to

the young people of the High School as it is designed for just such a school as ours.

I cannot commend too highly the hearty co-operation of the various teachers with whom I come in contact, and the cheerful way in which they assist me in carrying out my plans.

I wish to extend my thanks to you and to the high school principal for the thoughtfulness and assistance you are ever ready to render and to the children, large and small for the cordial smiling faces that help to make my work among them a pleasure. I also feel that a word of appreciation is due the members of the Committee for having been so willing to furnish the material added this school year and beg to assure them that much benefit has been derived therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. VOSE,

Director of Music.

GRADUATING EXERCISES

OF THE
MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL

AT THE
Congregational Church
FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1908
At 8 o'clock

Motto—No Victory without Labor
Colors—Green and Gold

PROGRAM

March

Invocation

Rev. Wilson R. Buxton

Chorus "The Postillion"

(*F. E. Weatherby*)
(*J. L. Molloy*)

School

Salutatory with Essay "A Phase of Modern Education"

Etta Rotman

Trio { (a) "Sisters, Trip Lightly"
(b) "Violet Hunting"

(*G. Verdi*)
(*G. Verdi*)

Effie Holder, Ruth Wade, Edith Richardson

Prophecy

Laura Warren Smith

Chorus "Voices of the Woods"

(*A. Rubinstein*)

Girls of the High School

Address "The Working of the Good Will"

Mr. William C. Bates

Superintendent of Schools, Cambridge, Mass.

Essay with Valedictory "The Greatest Naval Cruise of
All Time"

Marian Florence Smith

Presentation of the Class Gift

Award of Diplomas

Mr. Bertel G. Willard

Chairman of the School Committee

Soldier's Chorus

Gounod

School

Benediction

Class Roll

Etta Rotman

Helen Gertrude Shannon

Laura Warren Smith

Marian Florence Smith

Superintendent

M. J. West

Principal

Charles B. Sylvester

Assistant Principal

Laura M. Sanborn

School Committee

Bertel G. Willard

John W. Crowther

Osgood T. Dean

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Total membership for the year ending in June, 1908.	294
Average membership for the year,	245.71
Average attendance for the year,	224.31
Percentage of attendance for the year,	91.30
Number who were graduated from the high school,	4
Number who completed the grammar school course,	12
Average age of those who completed the grammar school course in June, 1908,	14 years 2 months
Number who entered the high school this year,	11
Number attending school this year over 15 years of age,	27
Average age of pupils who entered the primary school in September, 1908,	5 years 11 months
Total membership this year to Jan. 30,	282
Average membership to Jan. 30,	249.24
Average attendance to Jan. 30,	231.37
Percentage of attendance,	92.83
Present membership:	

Grange Hall.	Adams School.
I, II.	III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI,
22, 18.	17, 19, 11, 18, 24, 14, 11, 7, 8,
	XII. .
	9.
	Total 178

	Ellice School.
I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII,	
21, 8, 14, 12, 5, 9, 7,	Total 76

Number of children in town Sept. 1, 1908, between five and fifteen years of age:

Boys, 135; girls, 123; total, 258

Number of children in town Sept. 1, 1908, between seven and fourteen years of age:

Boys, 88; girls, 98. total, 186

Tabulation of Ages by Sex.

5 years		6 years		7 years		8 years		9 years	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
16	8	23	8	13	18	8	13	13	20
10 years		11 years		12 years		13 years		14 years	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
9	12	9	17	14	9	22	9	8	9

Total 135 males; 123 females.

Eye and Ear Test.

Number tested for sight and hearing, 231

Number found defective in sight, 40

Number found defective in hearing, 10

Number of parents or guardians notified, 37

ROLL OF HONOR.

THREE YEARS.

Moses Lovell.

ONE YEAR.

Louisa Choate, Katie Niland, Nettie Rice, Mary Tiernan.

TWO TERMS.

Harry Boudette, Anton Braun, Carlotta Hoenemann, Mildred Ireland, James Keefe, Thomas Keefe, Agnes Murphy, Mary Niland, Edith Richardson, Helen Richardson, Francis Sheehan.

ONE TERM.

Olive Alden, Mary Braun, Emille Brushak, Alice Cassidy, Helen Cassidy, Susie Cassidy, Angel Celli, Alice Clark, Althea Clark, Elbridge Clark, Nesbit Clark, Neil Closson, Bertha Cook, Charles d'Angelos, Joseph Dalpe, Lena Dalpe, Victoria Dalpe, Esther Daniels, Gladys Dean, Helen Dean, Emma Evans, Lena Evans, Rosa Fanger, Russell Hill, Dorothy Hoff, Dorothy Holden, Hiram LaCroix, Mary LaCroix, Florence Lindahl, Mabel Lindahl, Sigrid Lindahl, Elsie Lundborn, Dennis Murphy, Edmund Newcombe, Agnes Olson, Mildred Proe, Marjorie Richardson, Willard Roach, Etta Rotman, Martin Ryan, Rufus Sawyer, Robert Shepardson, Narcissa Simmons, Laura Smith, Gertrude Stevens, John Sullivan, Alice Tiernan, Lawrence Tiernan, Marcus Tiernan, Harold Whiting, Eva Willard.

*Neither absent nor tardy.

SYNOPSIS OF STATISTICS FROM SEPT., 1907, TO JUNE, 1908.

School	Grades.	Teachers.	Total Memberships.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Percent of Attendance.	Tests by School Committee.	Tests by Superintendent.	Tests by others on Regular Days.	Tests by others on Special Days.	Visits by Teachers on Parents.
Adams	1-4	Chas. B. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
"	1-4	John M. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
"	1-4	Elizabeth W. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
"	1-4	George F. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
Grange Hall	1-4	John M. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
Ellice	1-4	John M. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
"	1-4	John M. School	1	42	20.00	75	25	100	5	1	1	1
Totals			204	27	215	1,221	1.4	21	305	173	61	104

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School.	Grades.	Teachers.	Total Membership.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Visits by School Committee.	Visits by Superintendent.	Visits by others on Regular Days.	Visits by others on Special Days.	Calls by Teachers on Parents.
Adams	IX-XII	Chas. B. Sylvester,	38	37	35.51	33.37	94.54	3	20	15		16
"	VII-VIII	Elizabeth J. O'Neil,	42	38	36.50	34.40	94.25	3	23	16		13
"	V-VI	Idamae Wood,	32	32	30.14	27.94	92.70	2	21	11		3
"	III-IV	Gertrude L. Farmer,	38	38	35.51	33.07	93.13	2	23	15		2
Grange Hall	I-II	Bertha G. Andrews,	49	48	39.51	34.38	87.02	0	19	2	20	6
Bllice	IV-VII	Laura A. Baker,	36	31	30.52	28.70	94.33	1	17	16	17	17
"	I-III	Violet H. Barnes,	47	42	41.55	39.22	94.39	0	18	10	24	23
		Ethel F. Wood,	282	266	249.24	231.37	92.83	11	141	85	61	70
		Totals										

TRUANT OFFICERS' REPORTS.

M. J. West, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir: During the past year, I have investigated twenty-five absences from school; nearly all of them proving not to be cases of truancy, but due chiefly to negligence on the part of parents, or else because the parents kept the children at home for work.

In a few cases, illness was given as a reason, but in nearly every case the excuses were not of a character to cover the law.

Cases of absences seem to be on the increase, but I am glad to say they are confined to a few families.

On May 2, 1908, John Celli was taken to court for keeping his daughter Angel out of school without sufficient reason, for which he paid a fine of five dollars. The child has attended regularly since.

I have visited the factories and find no children under 16 years of age who are working without the required certificate.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. THORNE,

Truant Officer.

M. J. West, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir: I have attended to ten cases of truancy at Rockville during the past year.

Respectfully yours,

T. J. McCARTY,

Truant Officer.

Millis, Mass., January 30, 1909.

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